

Standards and Assessment Vocabulary

English/Language Arts – Grade 3

The purpose of the *Standards and Assessment Vocabulary* is to highlight words or phrases contained in the Indiana Academic Standards that may appear on ISTEP+ and to develop an awareness of connections between the standards and assessment.

Key Word or Phrase	Notes
Describe	An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Describe how the character’s idea changed throughout the story. Support your answer with details from the story.”
Event	An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Which event will likely cause the coach to change her game plan?”
Explain	An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Which sentence best explains why Julie was confused?”
Narrator	Refers to the author of a passage (e.g., article, story, play, etc.). An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Who is the narrator of this story?”
Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The actual word “revise” is not typically used in test questions for grades 3-5. However, it is included in the portions of the Examiner’s Manual that provide directions for the writing prompt and extended-response items.
Speaker	Refers to the author of a poem. An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Who is the speaker of the poem?”
Support	An example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “What was Jimmy’s main problem? How did he solve it? Support your answer with details from the passage/story/article.”